



Ark Angels

VOLUME ONE

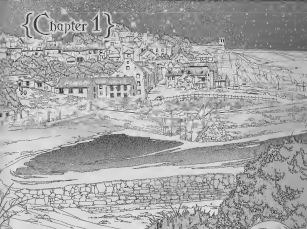
Sang-San Park



HAMBURG // LONDON // LOS ANGELES // TOKYO



{Chapter 1}









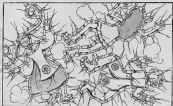
*We come from an
Earth in a parallel
dimension.*

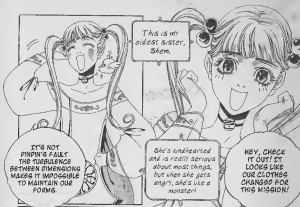
*Our mission is to
rescue the animals of
your planet that are on
the brink of extinction,
preserving them in
"Noah's Ark."*

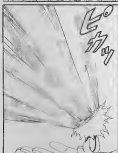
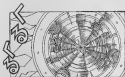
*Our perception
of your Earth's
animals is
different from
yours.*

*We don't just see
an animal's physical
form, but we look
inside to its soul.*

*That's why we believe
every life is equal
and precious.*







Mariana Archipelago
Guam



THE YEAR
IS 1968
THE PLACE IS
GUAM'S MARIANA
ARCHIPELAGO.
OUR GUARDY IS THE
GUAM FRUIT BAT.
OUR WINDOW OF
OPPORTUNITY IS 24
HOURS!







HUH?
WHERE'D
HE GO? I
THOUGHT I
HAD HIM...



HE'S
GONE...



*Our perception of
your Earth's animals is
different from yours.
We don't just see an
animal's physical form,
but we look inside to its
soul...and to us, its soul
looks just like humans do.*

P-
please, let
me go...
I don't
want to be
eaten.

DON'T
WORRY.
WE'RE NOT
GOING TO
EAT YOU.

WE CAME FROM
ANOTHER DIMENSION
TO RESCUE YOU. WE
HAVE AN ARK WHERE
ALL ENDANGERED
SPECIES CAN LIVE
FREE.



I promise
you, I taste
terrible.



I promise
you, I taste
terrible.

NOBODY KNOWS
ABOUT IT, AND
NOBODY WILL EVER
FIND OUT EITHER.
ONCE YOU'RE
ONBOARD, YOU'LL
BE SAFE FOREVER.

WHEN THE EARTH
BECOMES BEAUTIFUL
AGAIN, WE'LL UNLOCK
OUR AGE AND THE
ANIMALS WILL RETURN.

BUT NOT BEFORE
HUMANS LEARN TO
LIVE IN HARMONY
WITH THEIR ANIMAL
BROTHERS!





I won the one
who captured
it.

I thought
you were
here to
capture
me...

WHERE DO YOU
GET OFF KISSING
ME?! YOU'RE
JUST A BAT!

WATCH IT,
MISTER!

OOPS.
HEH-HEH...
ANYWAY, WE
SHOULD GET
OUT OF HERE.

...but then again,
someone as
beautiful as you
can capture me
any time she
wants.



NOT YET...WE
CAN'T LEAVE
YET.



I CAME ALL
THE WAY TO
GUAM BECAUSE
I HEARD YOU
SERVE PREMIUM
FRUIT BAT
CURRIES, CHEF.

UH...WELL, AS
YOU COULD
PLEASE BE
PATIENT A LITTLE
LONGER, PRESIDENT
OOURUREISHON, WE
HAVE THE BAT YOU
DESIRE.

BUT...IT'S BEEN
DAYS, AND YOU
HAVEN'T SERVED
A SINGLE BAT-
BASED MEAL.
NOT EVEN A
MEASLY WING

I KNOW IT'S
GETTING LATE,
SO HOW ABOUT
A SIMPLE
BREAKFAST TO
START...?



ALL YOU'VE
BEEN
FEEDING
ME DAY IN
AND DAY
OUT IS
THAT SAME
BROCCOLI ...



THAT'S A
FRUIT BAT?
IS IT REALLY
SO TASTY?
IT LOOKS
CREEPY...



THAT'S
YOUR
MOTHER IN
THE CAGE?

YES. THANK
GOODNESS
SHE'S STILL
ALIVE.

I KNEW THIS
WAS TOO EASY
TO BE TRUE. SO,
HOW ARE WE
GOING TO SAVE
HER? WE NEED A
PLAN.



FROM
THE SOUND
OF IT, SHE'S
GOING TO BE
OKAY UNTIL
TOMORROW
MORNING. SO,
WE'LL LIBERATE
HER TONIGHT!



OH...
TH-THANK
YOU

フ



OH, NO!
NOT NOW...!



UNSHHH...I NEED TO
STAY IN CONTROL...!



I
CAN'T!! I
CAN'T HOLD
BACK ANY
MORE!!



Ohhhh!
Boop-
shoo-
waddy-
waddy!!

Boop-
shoopy-
doooo-!!

Do-do-do-
waddy-
doddy!!



Wah?

Boop-sh-
boop...



WHAT THE
HECK WAS
THAT?



UH,
NOTHING,
GO ALL V.
I JUST
SUDDENLY
FELT LIKE
ENDING...









WAY
BACK WHEN,
I HAD A LARGE
FAMILY WITH MANY
BROTHERS AND
SISTERS. WE LIVED
IN PEACE AND ATE
SWEET-SMELLING
FRUITS.

THEN THE
TOURISTS
CAME, AND THEY
GRAVED GOURMET
FOOD. ALL OF MY
SISTERS WERE
CAPTURED AND
PREPARED AS
FOOD...

SOON, I WAS
THE ONLY ONE
LEFT.

HMM, ARE YOU
NUMBER SIX?

MAMA,
I'M NUMBER
FIFTY-ONE.
DON'T YOU
REMEMBER
THAT BROTHAR
NUMBER SIX WAS
EATEN UP?

I CAN'T
BELIEVE YOU'VE
BEEN WIPE OUT
IN THE NAME OF
TOURISM. I BET
HUMANS WOULD EAT
FAT FROM THEIR OWN
BUTTS IF THEY WERE
TOLD IT TASTED
GOOD.

...



SO,
WHAT ARE WE
GOING TO DO?

WE HAVE
TO BE OUT OF
THIS DIMENSION BY
SIX O'CLOCK TOMORROW
MORNING. IF WE DON'T MAKE
IT OUT, THE TIME GATE WILL
CLOSE, AND IT WON'T OPEN
AGAIN FOR ANOTHER DECADE.
WE'LL BE TRAPPED IN THIS
WORLD UNTIL THEN!



I HAVE
AN IDEA...



OH OH,
I'M SORRY
I DIDN'T TELL
YOU EARLIER,
BUT I RAN OUT OF
CLEAN UNIES, SO
I BORROWED YOUR
PAJE WITH TIEBIE
ON IT



WHAT
DID YOU
SAY?!



I WAS
SAVING
THOSE
FOR MY
VERY FIRST
DATE....!!



THOSE
PANTIES
WERE FOR
A SPECIAL
OCCASION!!



JUST
JUST
KIDDING.



DON'T YOU
HAVE SUCH
A CRAZY
SENSE OF
HUMOR



SURE, BUT THE
JOKE BROKE US
OUT OF HERE.



UM...HAS
ANYONE
SEEN MY
MOTHER?



SHE
ISN'T
...??



IT'S A
DEAD END!
WHAT SHOULD
WE DO?



LEAVE
THIS TO
ME.



ALL RIGHT,
BOYS. WHY DON'T
YOU STAND STILL
JUST LIKE THAT UNTIL
TOMORROW? DO IT
FOR LITTLE OL' ME,
PRETTY PLEASE?



OKAY.

NOT
YOU!!



HOW DID
YOU DO
THAT?

I
HYPNOTIZED
THEM, OF
COURSE.



I
WONDER
WHERE HIS
MAMA GOT
WENT ..



M-
MAMA--!

MAMA!



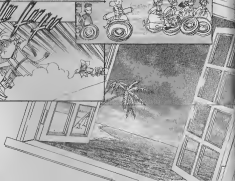
WHAT
SHOULD WE
DO? WE ONLY
HAVE AN HOUR
LEFT...



IS
EVERYONE
ALL
RIGHT?

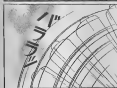
YEAH,
BY THE
WAY, I
WONDER
WHAT
HAPPENED TO
THE OTHER
GUYS CHASING
US.





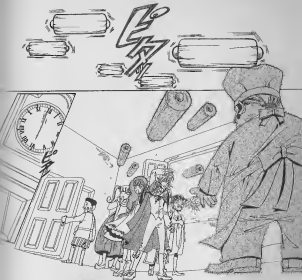


**HURRY!
ONLY THREE
MINUTES
LEFT!!**



**TAKE
ONE MORE
STEP, AND I'LL
BE FORCED TO GIVE
YOU A TASTE OF
THESE BABIES!**





HUH?!
WHAT'S
HAPPENING?

I
STOPPED
TIME.

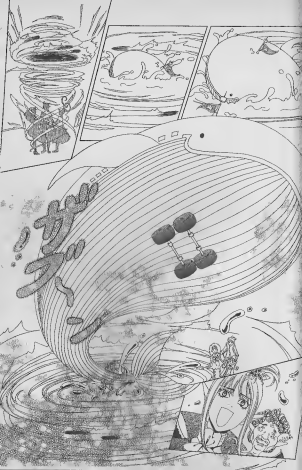


IT'S KIND
OF EASY, BUT
I CAN ONLY DO IT
ONCE A DAY AND FOR
NO MORE THAN FIVE
MINUTES.

LET'S NOT
WASTE IT.
SUMMON
OUR ARK!









EXCELLENT!
NOW THAT
WE'VE FOUND
YOUR MOTHER,
LET'S GET ON
BOARD!



MUST
WE REALLY
ABANDON OUR
HOME...?

WE
USED TO
COEXIST
WITH
HUMANS...



MAMA!
YOU CAME
BACK TO
YOUR
SONS!

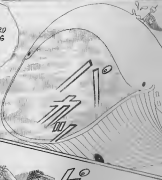
WHO
THE DEVIL
ARE YOU?
CHHHH, I'M SO
HUNGRY!!



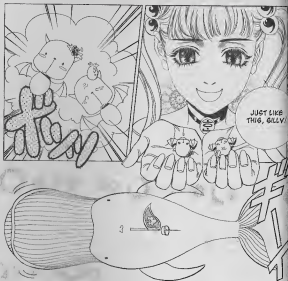
HURRY AND
GET IN! WE
DON'T HAVE
MUCH TIME!!

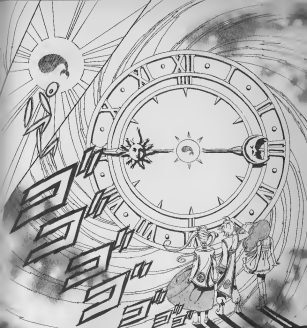


BUT HOW
DO WE BOARD
A BOAT THIS
SMALL?



Let's go!





THE
ENVIRONMENTAL
CLOCK'S MINUTE
HAND HAS GONE
BACKWARDS
A FULL SIXTY
SECONDS!





MISSION
ACCOM-
PLISHED!



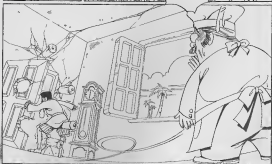
FANTASTIC!
LET'S GO
HOME, GIRLS!



MINMIN!

PIN-
PIN!!





IT WOULD
APPEAR
THEIR FIRST
MISSION WAS
A SUCCESS...



BUT WHY DO THEY INSIST ON DEFENDING THOSE HUMANS FROM PUNISHMENT? I DON'T UNDERSTAND THEIR BEHAVIOR...



IF WE GAVE HUMANS A SECOND CHANCE, THEY WOULD SURELY DESTROY US ALL.



SHEN, HAMU, JAPHETH... FROM NOW ON, I WILL VIEW YOU THREE AS MY ENEMIES.



THIS TOWN IS PRETTY SMALL...

We have decided to live as humans in this world. Hanu and I have become students...

THAT SCHOOL'S NO BIGGER THAN A BEAN. IT'S LIKE WE'RE IN SOME KIND OF SUPER-SUPER FARM COMMUNITY.

BUT EVEN IN THE MIDDLE OF NOWHERE LIKE THIS, YOU GET ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE...

...INCLUDING IDIOT BULLIES.

...and Sapiro is the owner of a flower shop. She'll act as our guardian when it comes to our education and things.

FORGET ABOUT THOSE GUYS. WE HAVE TO GET GOING!

WE DON'T WANT TO BE LATE.



JAPHETH,
HOW CAN
YOU TURN YOUR
BACK ON THE
INJUSTICE
IN OUR NEW
WORLD?

I UNDERSTAND
YOUR FEAR, BUT
WE MUST MAKE
THIS A BETTER
WORLD.



W-HY, YOU
GUYS...IT'S NOT
2-RIGHT TO TAKE
THAT KID'S
M-MONEY.



SHE
STARTED
IT! I HAVE
NOTHING TO DO
WITH THIS...



OKAY, YOU
LITTLE WUSS. NOW
THAT I GOT WHAT
I WANT, GET OUT
OF MY FACE!



Y-YOU GUYS...
YOU'RE NOT
SUPPOSED TO
B-BE ACTING
THIS WAY.







WAIT! THAT
GUY! HE SAW
HIM BACK IN...
THE PAST!



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{Chapter 2}





THIS THING THE HUMANS CALL
"CLASS" IS SO BORING. HUMANS
LEARN USELESS
THINGS LIKE ALGEBRA.
WHO CARES WHAT X,
Y OR Z ARE?



BUT THEIR
CAFETERIA
FOOD IS GOOD,
SO REMEMBER ..

.. GET
THROUGH
CLASS, AND
THEN YOU
EAT!



I SUGGEST
YOU'RE RIGHT. I
REALLY LIKE THIS
"TONKATOU."
IT'S LIKE MEAT
PIZZA IN JAPAN!



LET
THEM BE
FOR NOW.
THIS MIGHT
ACTUALLY
TURN OUT
TO BE
FUN.



YOU KNOW,
I DIDN'T HAVE
TIME TO REALLY
LOOK AT THEM THE
OTHER DAY, BUT
THOSE KIDS ARE
QUITE PRETTY.

I'M
HAVING THIS
EERIE FEELING...
IT'S LIKE...

IT
FEELS LIKE
SOMEBODY'S
WATCHING ME ALL
PEEVY-LIKE IT'S
GROSS...

IF IT'S
PERVERTED,
THEN IT MUST
BE A GUY, NO
QUESTION.





THE SCHOOL'S DIRTY SECRET IS THAT IT HARDLY HAS ANY CASH, AND SO, IN ORDER TO SAVE MONEY...

...THAT LUNCH LADY HUNTS DOWN "NATURAL" INGREDIENTS.



YOU KNOW, LIKE STRAY DOGS AND CATS.

SO...THAT MEANS THIS IS...





THANKS FOR
HELPING ME!!
MY NAME IS
JAPHETH. NICE
TO MEET YOU!!

MY NAME
IS OKAZU.



OOOH!
IS THIS
YOUR
SISTER?
SHE'S
PRETTY...

ENCHANTED,
I'M GURE.



DON'T
TOUCH
ME, DIRT-
BALL!!!



NAMU DIDN'T
HURT YOU,
DID SHE? SHE
DOESN'T LIKE
GUYS VERY
MUCH.





SEE YOU LATER/
REMEMBER TO ASK
ME BEFORE YOU
EAT ANYTHING
FROM THIS
CASSPIT.



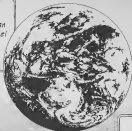
YOU'RE A
LIFESAVER.
THANKS
AGAIN!



YOU RETARD!
WHY DID YOU
BELIEVE HIM?

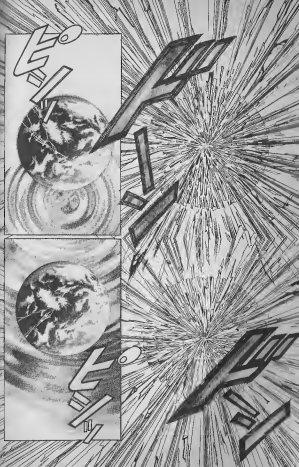


*We come from an
earth in a parallel
dimension.*



*Our mission is
to collect the
endangered animals
of your planet for
our "Noah's Ark."*







THIS EARTH
AND ITS HUMANS
BEAR A CLOSE
RESEMBLANCE TO
THE EARTHS OF THE
OUTER DIMENSIONS,
LIKE AN OBJECT
REFLECTED IN A
POOL OF WATER.



WHICH
MEANS IF
THEY DESTROY
THEMSELVES AND
THEIR VERSION OF
EARTH, ALL THE OTHER
EARTHS WILL BE
DESTROYED
AS WELL.



THEIR
PAST ACTIONS
CONCERN US
AS MUCH AS IT
DOES THEM.



That day, all the
representatives
from every
species came
together for a
conference.



Representatives
of planets...

Representatives
of spirits and
sprites...

Representatives
of elements...

Representatives
of witches and
wizards...



We were chosen
to attend the
conference as
stand-ins for our
father, who couldn't
get out of a Cooking
Class Ad enrolled in.



IT SEEMS
YOUR FATHER
HAS GONE TO
HIS COOKING
CLASS...



WHAT?/
SO WE HAVE
TO GO AS HIS
SUBSTITUTES?!

THESE PUNY
HUMANS
ARE MERELY
PARASITES
BENT ON
OBLITERATING
THEIR
PLANET...

This man is
called "the Lord."
The way he's
talking, it sounds
like something's
really going to
happen...

...SO WE MUST
OBLITERATE
THEM INSTEAD!
AND WE MUST
DO IT NOW!!





SAY
SOMETHING!
THE FATE OF
HUMANITY IS IN
OUR HANDS!!



UH, WE ARE
SHEM, HAMU, AND
JAPHETH, THE
REPRESENTATIVES
OF NOAH. WE'RE
STANDING IN FOR
OUR FATHER.

HAY WE
SPEAK, MY
LORD?



GO
AHEAD.



HUMANS ARE
TWO-DIMENSIONAL,
HAVING THE CAPACITY
FOR BOTH GOOD
AND EVIL.

AS LONG
AS SOME GOOD
STILL EXISTS, WE
SHOULDN'T GIVE
UP ON THEM. WE
SHOULD MAINTAIN
HOPE.



THEY CARE
FOR PEOPLE
WHO ARE LESS
FORTUNATE THAN
THEMSELVES..



...AND
MANY EFFORTS
ARE MADE TO
RECONSTRUCT
THE ENVIRONMENT
THEY'VE LOST.



BUT ISN'T
IT FUTILE
TO SACRIFICE
OUR OWN LIVES
BASED ON THIS
TINY SHRED OF
"HOPE"?

EXCUSE
ME, BUT
GIVEN THAT
I'VE BROUGHT
THIS TOPIC
TO YOUR
ATTENTION
BEFORE,
SHOULDN'T
I GET A
GAYP?





KYAA! HE'S
TOTALLY
ADORABLE!!



EVEN A MAN-
HATER LIKE ME
CAN'T HELP
BUT LIKE
THIS GUY



WHAT? WHO
IS HE?



MORON!!!



HE'S
"EARTH,"
THE MOST
BEAUTIFUL PLANET
IN THE SOLAR
SYSTEM A PLANET
THAT GLITTERS WITH
RUBIES AND GEMMS
LIKE A JEWEL...

HIS
BROTHERS--
THE MOON,
MARS, JUPITER--
ARE ALL EXTREMELY
BEAUTIFUL, TOO..
BUT THEY PALE IN
COMPARISON TO
HIM.



BUT LOOK AT
YOUR OWN
BODY!!



YOUR
VERY BEING
HAS BEEN
COMPLETELY
CONTAMINATED
AND RIDDLED WITH
ILLNESS BECAUSE
OF THESE
HUMANS!!



I CAN
NEITHER
EXONERATE NOR
CONDEMN THE
HUMANS...

...NOT
WITHOUT
GIVING THEM
ONE MORE
TRY.



...
DIDN'T
THE HUMANS
EVEN USE YOUR
BODY FOR
NUCLEAR TESTING
RECENTLY?



IF THIS
KEEPS UP,
RADIATION WILL
CONTAMINATE YOU TO
THE VERY CORE OF
YOUR EXISTENCE AND
DESTROY YOU.

DO
YOU NOT
UNDERSTAND
THAT?



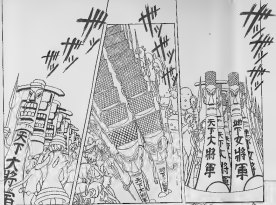
I
BELIEVE I
CAN ENDURE
MORE
THAN
THEY CAN
PUSH OUT.



THIS IS NO
LONGER JUST
YOUR PROBLEM,
THOUGH. THIS ISSUE
CONCERNING ALL OF
OUR LIVES, TOO.

YOUR
FEELINGS
ALONE CAN'T
BE OUR ONLY
CONSIDERATION.





Great General of the World





I'M
PREPARED TO
USE ANY MEANS
NECESSARY TO
MAKE YOU LISTEN--
INCLUDING BRUTE
FORCE.

DIDN'T
ANYONE
EVER TEACH
YOU ABOUT
MANNERS?



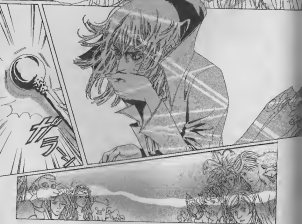
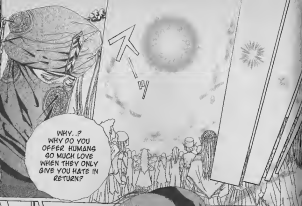
HUMANS
AREN'T THE
ONLY ONES LIVING
ON MY BODY.
EVERYONE HERE
DOES, TOO.

IT'S
NOT ABOUT
CHOOSING SIDES
WITH ME. IT'S
ABOUT EXISTENCE
ITSELF.

NOW
WHO IS
THREATENING
WHOM, BARTH?









WHAT'S
YOUR TRUTH
NOW? WERE YOU
LYING EARLIER?
CAN YOU REALLY
ERASE THE HUMAN
PLAGUE?

WHEN I FAIL TO
HAVE ANY MORE
HOPE FOR THE
HUMAN, I WILL
DISPOSE OF THEM
PERSONALLY





I HAVE
HEARD OF
A STORY...

FINE THEN,
BUT I HAVE ONE
CONDITION IN
EXCHANGE
FOR THIS
COMPROMISE.

OF AN
ARK THAT
TRANSPORTED
ALL OF THE EARTH'S
ANIMALS TO SAFE
GROUND WHEN MAN'S
BACKSLIDING
THREATENED TO
DESTROY THEM.



THIS IS AN
ENVIRONMENTAL
CLOCK THAT IS
REFLECTIVE OF THE
EARTH'S WAXING
HEALTH.

EVERY
TIME HUMANS
DESTROY ANOTHER
SPECIES, THE CLOCK
WILL MOVE FORWARD,
TICKING ITS WAY
TO MIDNIGHT.

FOR EVERY
SPECIES SAVED,
THE HAND WILL
MOVE BACKWARDS,
AWAY FROM THE
END.



THE
ENVIRONMENTAL
CLOCK IS CURRENTLY
AT NINE O'CLOCK. IF
THE ARK CAN BE FILLED
HALFWAY, PREVENTING
THE CLOCK FROM STRIKING
MIDNIGHT, I WILL SPARE
THE HUMANS. IF NOT,
I WILL DESTROY
THEM ALL.

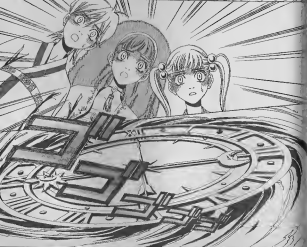


WHO
WILL BE
RESPONSIBLE
FOR THIS
MISSION OF
MERCY?



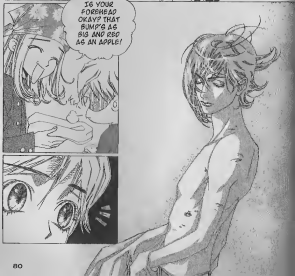
THAT
IS MY
CONDITION.







IS YOUR
FOREHEAD
OKAY? THAT
BUMP'S AS
BIG AND RED
AS AN APPLE!





YONZA!
THAT'S QUITE
A BOO! VA-
VA-YOOM!



HUH? WHAT
ARE THOSE
SCARS?



WHAT ARE
YOU LOOKING
AT?



NOTHING.
HEH, JUST
LOOKING FOR
THE CHANGING
ROOM.



CHANGING
ROOM? WHY
DON'T YOU JUST
CHANGE HERE?



*That's
right.*

*There is
something I don't
want the guys to
see.*



WHAT IS
IT? IF YOU HAVE
SOMETHING YOU
DON'T WANT US
GUYS TO SEE?



*I mean,
I am a girl,
after all.*

{Chapter 3}







TODAY'S
TARGET IS A RARE
BIRD! A WHOOPIING
CRANE. THERE AREN'T
MANY OF THEM LEFT
ON THIS WORLD. THIS
KOREAN AMUSEMENT
PARK FROM 2009
IS SAID TO HAVE A
SPECIMEN, SO
LET'S FIND IT.

AN
ENDANGERED
SPECIES AT A
FAIRGROUND?
HOW DID THAT
HAPPEN?



TASTE IT,
BABY
IS IT
YUMMY?

YES,
OMIGOD, BUT
ALL THE MORE
SO BECAUSE
IT'S YOU THAT'S
FEEDING ME.

DARLING, YOU
REMINDE ME OF THAT
CRANE-TYPE
BIRD CLEANLINESS
AND LOFTINESS
SURROUND YOU.



OMIGOD,
THOSE
KIDS ARE
ANNOYING!

OH,
YOU BIG FLIRT!
IT'S NOT TRUE,
IT'S NOT!

Squaw--!!
Squawk
squawk!!

HOW
DARE
THOSE
FAT PIGS
SAY I'M
LIKE
THEM?!

Quack!!

Qua-wa-
wa!!!

Our perception of
Earth's animals is
different from yours.

We don't just see an
animal's physical form,
but we look inside to its
soul...and to us, its soul
looks just like humans do.

LEMMIE OUT!
I'M GOING
TO FLY OVER
THERE AND
POOP ON THAT
NASTY ICE
CREAM!!

THAT BIRD'S OUR
GUARDY, AND WHEN YOU
THINK ABOUT IT, I KINDA
KNOW WHY THE CLERK
BIRD SINGS.



WHAT
ARE YOU
FREAKS
LOOKING
AT?!!

DO YOU GET SOME
KIND OF SICK THRILL
OUT OF SEEING ME
TRAPPED BEHIND
BARS?!



OH, NO.
WE'RE HERE
TO RESCUE YOU
AND PRESERVE
YOU FOR FUTURE
GENERATIONS.



REALLY?
YOU'VE COME
TO BUST ME
OUT?!





YOUR
PRISON IS
NO MORE!



WHERE'D YOU
LEARN SUCH A
COOL TRICK?

YOU
WOULDN'T HAVE
USED IT TO TRY
OPEN THE CLOSET
DOOR AND STEAL
MY TEDDY BEAR
PANTIES, WOULD
YOU?

OH, PLEASE!
IT'S UNSPECIFIC
OF YOU TO CHARGE
OVER YOUR BEAR
PANTIES THAT WAY!



EXCELLENT.
LET'S GET YOU
UP TO THE ARK.



HA!
FINALLY, I AM
FREE OF THAT
FRIGHTFUL CAGE!



I
DON'T
THINK SO.



WHAT?!



I'VE NEVER BEEN IN LOVE. BEFORE I GO WITH YOU, YOU MUST FIND ME MY PRINCE!



THE HUMANS CAPTURED ME WHEN I WAS JUST A FREELY HATCHED CHICK. I'VE LIVED MY WHOLE LIFE IN A CAGE.



I HATE TO BE A PARTY POOPER, BUT WE ONLY HAVE 24 HOURS... AND IF WE DON'T GET YOU ONBOARD...



THAT IS SO NOT MY PROBLEM.



OH DEAR...A PUDDLE.



YOU,
BOY, TAKE OFF
YOUR COAT



WHAAA--?!
MY COAT!!



HAVE YOU
NEVER HEARD OF
CHIVALRY? KNAVES
MUST SACRIFICE
FOR THEIR LADIES.



HO
HO HO!
IT'S A PRINCE
THEY'RE AFTER,
BUT THAT GIVES ME
AN IDEA...



That was how we
ended up trying to
find a mate for that
fowl, stuck-up fowl.



DAMN... THIS PLACE
MAKES FOR ROUGH
LIVING. THERE'S NOT SO
MUCH AS A BLIND SNAIL FOR
ME TO GNAK ON!

ANNN, IS
SOMEBODY
HUNGRY?

DO WHAT
WE SAY, AND
A BLIND SNAIL
WILL BE JUST AN
APPETIZER...





THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE!
IT'S NOT LIKE
SHE'S A SPARROW
OR A PIGEON. CRANES
ARE RARE. HOW'RE
WE GOING TO FIND
ANOTHER ONE?



THEY
TOTALLY
SPOILED HER IN
THAT ZOO. SHE
THINKS SHE'S
ROYALTY!



I...I DON'T
KNOW...
BUT WE'LL
THINK OF
SOMETHING.









YES. I'M
SEARCHING
FOR A PRINCE
TO MARRY ME. YOU
HAVEN'T SEEN ANY
HANDSOME CRANES
AROUND HERE
PERCHANCE?



YOU
DON'T
SAY..?



...?



IT JUST SO
HAPPENS I'M
LOOKING FOR A
CRANE TO BE
MY PRINCESS!



OH, MY!
IS THIS THE
SCENT OF A
MANT? I LOVE
IT!!



SHALL
WE DANCE?



GLADLY.



HO HO
HO ONCE WE
SNATCH THAT
BIRD, THAT WILL BE
THE END OF THEIR
STUPID AGE!



BUT... THAT
BIRD DOESN'T
LOOK LIKE A
CRANE. THIS
ALL SEEMS A
LITTLE TOO
CONVENIENT

THAT'S
TRUE. ITS
HEAD ISN'T
RED... AND
NO BLACK
FEATHERS..



I'M SO
JEALOUS! I
WISH SOMEONE
WOULD TAKE ME
IN HIS ARMS
THAT
WAY!



HEE HEE
HEE... THAT'S
IT, COME
CLOSER...
CLOSER...



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YOU BIG LIAR!
YOU SAID YOU'D
HARRY ME, AND
THEN YOU STOLE
ALL MY MONEY!

JERK! YOU
SAID YOU WERE
A SWAN, BUT
YOU'RE JUST A
HERON!!

NO NO NO!
OW! IT'S NOT LIKE
THAT!! PLEASE
CALM DOWN!!

YOU TOLD ME
THAT YOU
WERE AN
IMPORTED
PEACOCK!!

I DON'T THINK
THAT GUY'S
A CRANE. WE'D
BETTER KEEP
LOOKING.

WHAT WE
HAVE HERE IS
A PROBLEM WITH
CASTING. WE'LL
JUST HAVE TO DO
IT OURSELVES
NEXT TIME.

HO
HO HO.
SHOULD WE
WHIP OUT THE
DIMENSION-
CHANGING
JELLY?

THEY CAN'T
SUMMON THEIR ART IF
THEY'RE NOT ALL THREE
TOGETHER.





WE WERE DUMB
TO EVER AGREE
TO THIS!



WHERE ARE
WE GOING TO
FIND A RARE BIRD
LIKE YOU IN JUST
ONE DAY?





IF I DON'T
HOLD ON TO
HOPE, WHAT'S
LEFT?



...BE QUIET,
IF YOU DON'T
WANT ME TO
CRUSH YOUR
BEAK...









HEH HEH.
YOU THINK
THEY BOUGHT
IT?



**NO! STOP!!
THAT'S A
JELLY BOMB!!**



**EVERY...
EVERYONE
STOP--!**



**GOOD,
GOOD...JUST
A LITTLE
MORE...!**



IT'S TOO
DANGEROUS
--!!

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Chapter 4



JAPHETH...



JAPHETH
DISAPPEARED!!



IT WAS
DIMENSION-
CHANGING JELLY.
IT BOUNCED HER
OFF THIS EARTH.



SOMEONE'S
TRYING TO
INTERFERE WITH
OUR MISSION



THEY'RE
ON TO US
--!!



HOLD IT RIGHT
THERE! WHO
ARE YOU
GUYS?!



SORRY, THIS
IS ALL YOU
GET TODAY!



WHO'D
WANT TO
STOP US FROM
SAVING THE
WHOOPING CRANE?
WE HAVE TO
FIND OUT.



DON'T
YOU SEE? IF
JAPHETH'S NOT
HERE, WE CAN'T
OPEN THE DOOR
BACK TO OUR
DIMENSION.

THEY'VE
STRANDED
US ON THIS
EARTH.



IT'S
MY FAULT.
I SHOULD HAVE
NEVER ASKED YOU
TO FIND MY MATE.
NOW CAN WE GET
YOUR LITTLE
BROTHER
BACK?



DON'T
APOLOGIZE.
IT SHOULD ALL
TURN OUT OKAY.

IT'S NOT
OKAY. IF
WE DON'T HAVE
JAPHETH, WE CAN'T
GO BACK HOME.



SINCE
MINMIN,
TENTEN AND
PINPIN ARE ALL
CONNECTED,
MAYBE IF WE
FIND TENTEN
FIRST...?







WHAT...
ARE WE GOING
TO DO NOW?



SINCE WE CAME
ALL THE WAY HERE,
WE SHOULD MAKE THE
BEST OF IT AND FIND THE
PRINCE.



I'M SO
SORRY...



A snowman

I
don't
know him...



We've
never seen
him...

A lack of
penguins.



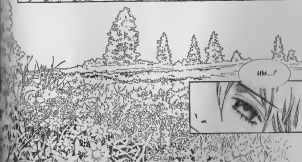
Pigeon lady

How should I know?



Mr. Magpie

In fact, I have seen a bird that looks just like you.



HM...?





FINALLY WAKING
UP, ARE YOU?



EEEEK!
WH-WHO
ARE YOU?

"THANKS"
WOULD BE
A MORE
APPROPRIATE
RESPONSE. I'M
THE ONE WHO
SAVED YOU.



YOU
SAVED ME...?



YOU
SHOULD BE
MORE CAREFUL.
IT'S NOT HEALTHY
TO THROW YOUR
BODY AROUND LIKE
THAT.



HUH...
HE HAS
A BANDAGE
AROUND HIS
EYES. DID HE
HURT THEM?



THAT
STUPID
CRANE'S TOTALLY
BOY CRAZY. WE
SHOULD'VE NEVER
LET HER DRAG US
ON HER ROMANTIC
QUEST...



MAYBE
GO... BUT
ISN'T MATING
AN IMPORTANT
PART OF A
CRANE'S LIFE?



LOVING
ANOTHER GIVES
THEM A REASON TO
CONTINUE THE LIFE
CYCLE.

BEING
CAGED
BY HUMANS
PREVENTED HER
FROM MEETING
HER MATCH.



YOU... YOU
THINK SO?







"LITTLE
LADY"...?

OOOHH,
I'M HUNGRY...



I SEE A
FARMHOUSE



YOU
MUST'VE
BEEN STARVING!
SLOW DOWN, OR
YOU'LL GET SICK



THERE'S
DEFINITELY
NOTHING FREE
IN THIS WORLD

HOW AM
I GOING TO
GET BACK TO
MY FAMILY?

IS
THAT...?

PINPIN!!
MINMIN!!

MY
OLDER
SISTERS
SENT YOU
GUYS, RUN?

TEE HEE,
AWESOME!
LET'S GET OUT
OF THIS PLACE!





WHOA.
THAT
BUILDING'S
MAGNIFICENT!



MY
GOODNESS! MY
PRINCE MUST BE VERY
WEALTHY, TO LIVE IN A
PALACE LIKE THIS.





AND THAT...?



EXCEPT
FOR THE
TIMES I SAW MY
REFLECTION IN THE
WATER, I'VE NEVER
SEEN ANOTHER
CRANE BEFORE...



I'VE
FINALLY
FOUND A
MATE!!





PRINCESS!
THEY'VE
FOUND US!!

WE
SHOULD
MAKE A
RUN FOR
IT!



OH, MY...
HOW DID THE
ZOOKEEPER
TRAIL
US ALL THE WAY
OUT HERE?



PRINCESS,
THERE'S NO
USE RUNNING.

BECAUSE...



...ON THE
DAY YOU WERE
CAUGHT, I PUT A
TRACKING DEVICE
ON YOU.

NO!!



MY
BRACELET
WON'T
COME
OFF--!!



IT'S MY OWN
UNBREAKABLE
COMPOUND!



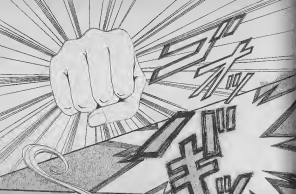
DO YOU
THINK IT'S
TRUE?



AS TRUE
AS I'M
WEARING YOUR
TEDDY BEAR
PANTIES?

I KNEW
IT, YOU
BEAST!!!

I'M GOING
TO SMASH
YOU!!!



I-I'M JUST
KIDDING. IF YOUR
GNASH HAD CONNECTED,
YOU'D HAVE KILLED ME,
GIG!



SHUCKS
I DON'T LIKE
THOSE KINDS OF
JOKES. THEY'RE
DANGEROUS.



HURRY!
LET'S GET
OUT WHILE
WE CAN!



PLEASE,
COME WITH
US, PRINCE!





HE WAS
STUFFED.
NO WONDER...I
THOUGHT IT WAS
STRANGE THAT
THERE WAS A CRANE
IN A MUSEUM.



I'M
SORRY, BUT
WE HAVE TO GO.
IF WE STAY ANY
LONGER, THEY'LL
CATCH YOU AND DRAG
YOU BACK TO THE
ZOO...

WHAT'S
WRONG
WITH THE
ZOO?



LIFE IN THE
WILD IS DANGEROUS.
YOU COULD BE KILLED!



I PROVIDE
A CLEAN HOME
AND REGULAR
MEALS FOR THE
PRINCESS.

I
DON'T
CARE!

EVEN
IF IT'S
DANGEROUS...



I
WANT TO
FLY IN THE
SKY, FREE AS
THE BIRD THAT
I AM.

I WANT
TO BE WITH A
CRANE THAT
I LOVE...

NOT
TRAPPED IN A
CAGE, BANNED
AT BY HUMANS.



NO
MATTER HOW
MUCH HUMANS
LIKE ME...

NO
MATTER HOW
DELICIOUS YOUR
FOOD...



I
WANT
TO BE
FREE!!



IT DOESN'T
MATTER HOW
WELL YOU EXPLAIN
IT, THE ZOOKEEPER
WILL NEVER
UNDERSTAND...

OH,
BOO HOO HOO.

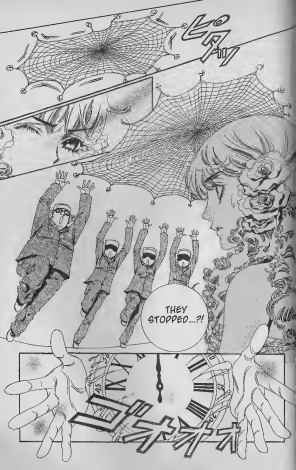
...BECAUSE
HE CANNOT
SEE YOUR
SPIRIT.

DID YOU
KNOW YOU
GUYS BROKE
THE LAW?

STEALING
A RARE
BIRD! IT'S
A PUNISHABLE
OFFENSE. YOU
ROTTEN KIDS...

JUST
ONCE... EVEN
JUST A LITTLE... IT
WOULD BE NICE IF
A HUMAN REALLY
LISTENED...





THEY
STOPPED...?!



JAPHETH! YOU
CAME BACK?!!



SWEET!



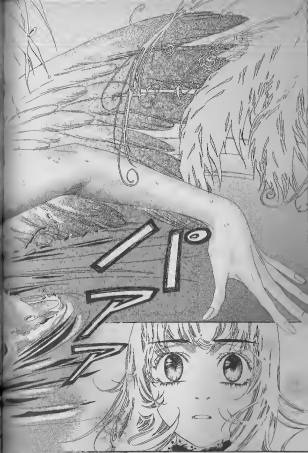
PRINCESS,
I HEARD WHAT
YOU SAID, AND
I'M SORRY.

I
THOUGHT YOU
WERE RISKING
OUR LIVES JUST
BECAUSE YOU'RE
BOY CRAZY.













THINGS
WORKED OUT
WELL, WOULDN'T
YOU SAY?



NOW...SINCE WE
FOUND YOUR PRINCE,
ARE YOU READY TO GET
ON THE ARK?



WELL... THERE
IS ONE MORE
THING...







PRINCESS
HAS SUCH
BEAUTIFUL
WINGS.

HUMANS ALWAYS
TRY TO POSSESS
NATURE...

...BUT ONCE THEY
GET IT IN THEIR HANDS,
THEY TAKE ALL THE
BEAUTY OUT OF IT.



YES.
NATURE LOOKS
BEST IN ITS
ORIGINAL FORM.



AWN...IT'S
GO TOUCHING,
CHIEF.

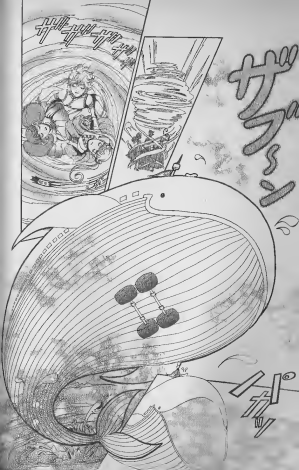


MORON!!!
WHOSE SIDE
ARE YOU ON,
ANYWAY?!!

AS IT WAS
MEANT TO BE...

ALL RIGHT!
HOW ABOUT WE
START WRAPPING
THIS UP?

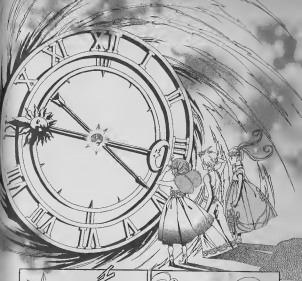






I HOPE
ONE DAY...

... YOU THREE
WILL ALSO FIND
GOOD BOYFRIENDS
AND BE AS HAPPY
AS I AM.





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completed
successfully. But
some mysteries
remain...

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